Department of Energy—Western Area Power Administration; Parker-Davis Project

[Rate Schedule PD-FT5 (Supersedes Schedule PD-FT4)]

Schedule of Rate for Firm Transmission Service

Effective: The first day of the first full billing period beginning October 1, 1995, and remaining in effect through September 30, 2000, or until superseded, whichever occurs first.

Available: Within the marketing area served by the Parker-Davis Project (P—DP).

Applicable: To firm transmission service customers where capacity and energy are supplied to the P-DP system at points of interconnection with other systems and transmitted and delivered, less losses, to points of delivery on the P-DP system specified in the service contract.

Character and Conditions of Service: Alternating current at 60 hertz, threephase, delivered and metered at the voltages and points established by contract.

Monthly Rate: October 1, 1995:

Transmission Service Charge: \$11.51 per kilowatt per year for each kilowatt at the point of delivery, established by contract, payable monthly at the rate of \$0.96 per kilowatt.

October 1, 1996, through September 30, 2000:

By October 1 of each year, a new rate for the following 5-year period will be determined and implemented as discussed in the rate design section of the rate order WAPA-68.

For Reactive Power: None. There shall be no entitlement to transfer of reactive kilovolt-amperes at delivery points, except when such transfer may be mutually agreed upon by contractor and contracting officer or their authorized representatives.

For Losses: Capacity and energy losses incurred in connection with the transmission and delivery of power and energy under this rate schedule shall be supplied by the customer in accordance with the service contract.

Billing for Unauthorized Overruns: For each billing period in which there is a contract violation involving an unauthorized overrun of the contractual firm power and/or energy obligations, such overrun shall be billed at 10 time the above rate.

Department of Energy—Western Area Power Administration; Parker-Davis Project

[Rate Schedule PD-FCT5 (Supersedes Schedule PD-FCT4)]

Schedule of Rate for Firm Transmission Service of Salt Lake City Area Integrated Projects Power

Effective: The first day of the first full billing period beginning on or after October 1, 1995, and remaining in effect through September 30, 2000, or until superseded, whichever occurs first.

Available: Within the marketing area served by the Parker-Davis Project (P—DP) transmission facilities.

Applicable: To Salt Lake City Area/Integrated Projects (SLCA/IP) Southern Division Customers where SLCA/IP capacity and energy are supplied to the P-DP system by the Colorado River Storage Project (CRSP) at points of interconnection with the CRSP system and for transmission and delivery on a unidirectional basis, less losses, to Southern Division customers at points of delivery on the P-DP system specified in the service contract.

Character and Conditions of Service: Alternating current at 60 hertz, threephase, delivered and metered at the voltages and points of delivery established by contract.

Monthly Rate: October 1, 1995:

Transmission Service Charge: \$5.76 per kilowatt per season for each kilowatt at the point of deliver, established by contract.

October 1, 1996, through September 30, 2000:

By October 1 of each year, a new rate for the following 5-year period will be determined and implemented as discussed in the rate design section of the rate order WAPA-68.

For Reactive Power: None. There shall be no entitlement to transfer of reactive kilovolt-amperes at delivery points, except when such transfers may be mutually agreed upon by contractor and contracting officer or their authorized representatives.

For Losses: Capacity and energy losses incurred in connection with the transmission and delivery of power and energy under this rate schedule shall be supplied by the customer in accordance with the service contract.

Billing for Unauthorized Overruns:
For each billing period in which there is a contract violation involving an unauthorized overrun of the contractual firm power and/or energy obligations, such overrun shall be billed at 10 times that above rate.

Department of Energy—Western Area Power Administration: Parker-Davis Project

Rate Schedule PD-NFT5 (Supersedes Schedule PD-NFT4)

Schedule of Rate for Nonfirm Transmission Service

Effective: The first day of the first full billing period beginning on or after October 1, 1995, and remaining in effect through September 30, 2000, or until superseded, whichever occurs first.

Available: Within the marketing area serviced by the Parker-Davis Project (P-DP) transmission facilities.

Applicable: To nonfirm transmission service customers where capacity and energy are supplied to the P-DP system at points of interconnection with other systems, transmitted subject to the availability of the transmission capacity, and delivered on a unidirectional basis, less losses, to points of delivery on the P-DP system specified in the service contract.

Character and Conditions of Service: Alternating current at 60 hertz, threephase, delivered and metered at the voltages and points of delivery established by contract.

Monthly Rate: October 1, 1995: Nonfirm Transmission Service Charge: 2.19 mills per kilowatthour of scheduled or delivered kilowatthours at point of delivery, established by contract, payable monthly.

October 1, 1996, through September 30, 2000:

By October 1 of each year, a new rate for the following 5-year period will be determined and implemented as discussed in the rate design section of the rate order WAPA-68.

For Reactive Power: None. There shall be no entitlement to transfer of reactive kilovolt-amperes at delivery points, except when such transfers may be mutually agreed upon by contractor and contracting officer or their authorized representatives.

For Losses: Capacity and energy losses incurred in connection with the transmission and delivery of power and energy under this rate schedule shall be supplied by the customer in accordance with the service contract.

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Stampede Division, Washoe Project Notice of Rate Order No. WAPA-67

AGENCY: Western Area Power Administration, DOE.
ACTION: Notice of rate order.

SUMMARY: Notice is given of the confirmation and approval by the Deputy Secretary of the Department of Energy (DOE) of Rate Order No. WAPA-67 and Rate Schedule SNF-4 placing the revised nonfirm energy rates for energy from the Stampede Division, Washoe Project (Stampede) of the Western Area Power Administration (Western) into effect on an interim basis. These rates are the interim rates, called the provisional rates, and they will remain in effect on an interim basis until the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) confirms, approves, and places them into effect on a final basis or until they are replaced by other

Western has executed agreements with the Sierra Pacific Power Company (Sierra), the U.S. Department of the

Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) and the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) to provide service to project use facilities. The costs associated with such service will be nonreimbursable, and will not be recovered through the power revenues. The remaining reimbursable costs and the energy remaining after meeting project use service are used to calculate the cost recovery rate. This rate ensures payment of all reimbursable expenses and investments within the required time frames. The cost recovery rate is above the current market price for nonfirm energy.

Under Rate Schedule SNF-4, nonfirm energy that is available after project use service has been met will be sold at a rate that is equal to or higher than the

Stampede Energy Exchange Account (SEEA) rate but no greater than the cost recovery rate. Rate Schedule SNF-4 provides the formulae to determine the SEEA and cost recovery rates for Stampede nonfirm energy. These formulae are:

The SEEA rate will be 85 percent of the then-effective non-time differentiated rate as provided in Sierra's California Quarterly Short-Term Purchase Price Schedule for As-Available Purchases from Qualifying Facilities with Capacities of 100 kilowatts or

The cost recovery rate is calculated by dividing the revenue requirement needed to repay all reimbursable power costs by the nonfirm energy remaining after meeting project use service.

A comparison of existing and provisional rates follows:

			Existing rate as of July 1, 1994	Provisional rate Octo- ber 1, 1995	Percentage of change
CIA A CONTRANTO A CARROLLA MARKEN	kWh)	***************************************	SNF-3 27.69 67.39	SNF-4 19.26* 80.44**	-30.44 19.36

The average SEEA rate for FY 1995.

Under the existing rate schedule, Stampede nonfirm energy is sold through an annual bidding process on a short-term nonfirm basis. A floor and ceiling rate for the bidding process is calculated each year. The floor rate is based on annual operation and maintenance expenses plus two mills per kilowatthour, and the ceiling rate is the rate required to repay annual expenses and investment within the required time frames.

DATES: Rate Schedule SNF-4 will be placed into effect on an interim basis on October 1, 1995, and will be in effect until FERC confirms, approves, and places the rate schedule in effect on a final basis, or until the rate schedule is superseded.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mr. James C. Feider, Area Manager, Sacramento Area Office, Western Area Power Administration, 114 Parkshore Drive, Folsom, CA 95630, (916) 353-

Mr. Joel Bladow, Assistant Administrator for Washington Liaison, Western Area Power Administration, Room 8G-027, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-0001, (202) 586-5581.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: By

Amendment No. 3 to Delegation Order No. 0204-108, published November 10, 1993 (58 FR 59716), the Secretary of Energy (Secretary) delegated (1) the authority to develop long-term power and transmission rates on a nonexclusive basis to the Administrator of Western; (2) the authority to confirm. approve, and place such rates into effect on an interim basis to the Deputy Secretary; and (3) the authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect on a final basis, to remand, or to disapprove such rates to FERC. Existing DOE procedures for public participation in power rate adjustments are contained in 10 CFR Part 903.

These power rates were developed pursuant to section 302(a) of the DOE Organization Act, 42 U.S.C. 7152(a), through which the power marketing functions of the Secretary of the Interior and Reclamation under the Reclamation Act of 1902, 43 U.S.C. 371 et seq., as amended and supplemented by subsequent enactments, particularly section 9(c) of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939, 43 U.S.C. § 485h(c), and other acts specifically applicable to the project involved, were transferred to and vested in the Secretary.

Under Western's contract with Sierra, all Stampede nonfirm energy is debited to the SEEA, at the SEEA rate. The cost

of project use service is then credited to the SEEA. Power remaining after meeting project use service will be offered to other entities, giving priority to preference customers, through an annual bidding process. Bids will be accepted only if the bid rate is equal to or higher than the SEEA rate, and less than the cost recovery rate. If no bid meets this criteria, the nonfirm energy will be deemed sold to Sierra at the SEEA rate.

If the SEEA arrangements with Sierra are terminated, Western will offer all available nonfirm energy for sale at the cost recovery rate, or the highest rate bid that is below the cost recovery rate.

Stampede power costs associated with providing project use service are nonreimbursable pursuant to Public Law 84-858 (70 Stat. 777) and Public Law 101-618 (104 Stat. 3289) and are not recovered through power revenues. The amount of the annual nonreimbursable costs is calculated by multiplying the total annual power costs by a ratio of the cost of providing project use service to the revenues from Stampede generation as recorded in the SEEA. The remaining reimbursable costs and energy remaining after project use service has been provided are used to calculate the cost recovery rate. The power repayment study and other analyses indicate the revised cost

^{**}The estimated cost recovery rate for FY 1996 through FY 2000.

recovery rate provides sufficient revenue to pay all reimbursable annual costs including interest expense, plus repayment of required investment within the allowable time period.

Rate Order No. WAPA-67 confirming, approving, and placing the proposed Stampede rate adjustment into effect on an interim basis, is issued, and the new Rate Schedule SNF-4 will be submitted promptly to FERC for confirmation and approval on a final basis.

Issued in Washington, DC, September 29, 1995.

Charles B. Curtis, Deputy Secretary.

Department of Energy Deputy Secretary

In the matter of: Western Area Power Administration Rate Adjustment for Stampede Division, Washoe Project.

[Rate Order No. WAPA-67]

Order Confirming, Approving and Placing the Stampede Division, Washoe Project Nonfirm Power Rates Into Effect on an Interim Basis

October 1, 1995.

These power rates were developed pursuant to section 302(a) of the Department of Energy (DOE) Organization Act, 42 U.S.C. 7152(a), through which the power marketing functions of the Secretary of the Interior and the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) under the Reclamation Act of 1902, 43 U.S.C. 371 et seq., as amended and supplemented by subsequent enactments, particularly section 9(c) of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939, 43 U.S.C. 485h(c), and other acts specifically applicable to the project involved, were transferred to and vested in the Secretary of Energy (Secretary).

By Amendment No. 3 to Delegation Order No. 0204-108, published November 10, 1993 (58 FR 59716), the Secretary delegated (1) the authority to develop long-term power and transmission rates on a nonexclusive basis to the Administrator of the Western Area Power Administration (Western); (2) the authority to confirm, approve, and place such rates into effect on an interim basis to the Deputy Secretary; and (3) the authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect on a final basis, to remand, or to disapprove such rates to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). Existing DOE procedures for public participation in power rate adjustments are contained in 10 CFR Part 903.

Acronyms and Definitions

As used in this rate order, the following acronyms and definitions apply:

DOE: U.S. Department of Energy DOE Order RA 6120.2: A Department of Energy order dealing with power marketing administration financial reporting.

FERC: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

FWS: U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service

FY: Fiscal Year kW: Kilowatt kWh: Kilowatthour

mills/kWh: Mills per kilowatthour PRS: Power repayment study Reclamation: U.S. Department of the

Interior, Bureau of Reclamation SEEA: Stampede Energy Exchange

Sierra: Sierra Pacific Power Company Stampede: Stampede Division, Washoe Project

Western: U.S. Department of Energy, Western Area Power Administration

Effective Date

The rates will become effective on an interim basis on October 1, 1995, and will be in effect pending FERC's approval of them or substitute rates on a final basis for a 5-year period, or until superseded.

Public Notice and Comment

The Procedures for Public Participation in Power and Transmission Rate Adjustments and Extensions, 10 CFR Part 903, have been followed by Western in the development of these nonfirm power rates. Stampede is a power system which normally has annual sales less that 100 million kWh and an installed capacity of less than 20,000 kW; therefore this rate adjustment constitutes a minor rate adjustment as defined by 10 CFR Part 903.2(f). Since this is a minor rate adjustment, no public meetings were scheduled; however, Western accepted comments from interested parties.

The following summarizes the steps Western took to allow involvement of interested parties in the rate process:

1. A Federal Register notice was published on June 5, 1995 (60 FR 29586), officially announcing the proposed nonfirm power rate adjustment, initiating the public consultation and comment period.

2. On June 14, 1995 a letter was mailed from Western's Sacramento Area Office to all interested parties announcing the publication of the Federal Register notice on June 5, 1995.

3. On June 15, 1995 a rate adjustment brochure was available to all interested parties upon request.

4. The comment period ended on July 5, 1995; no comments or requests for

information were received during the comment period.

Project History

The Stampede Dam was authorized under the Washoe Project Act of August 1, 1956 (70 Stat. 775). Power facilities were not constructed when Stampede Dam was built because the power function was determined not economically justified at the time. A reevaluation of a powerplant at Stampede was conducted and published in a special Reclamation report, Adding Powerplants at Existing Federal Dams in California, in July 1976. Reclamation recommended construction of the Stampede powerplant, and construction was completed in 1987. Since 1988, energy produced at the Stampede powerplant has been sold to the highest bidder on a short-term nonfirm basis, as the preference entity, defined in the marketing plan for Stampede power, has been unable to contract for transmission from Stampede to their point of delivery. In addition, the Stampede floor and ceiling rates calculated in accordance with the existing rate schedule has been higher than the market rate for nonfirm energy.

FWS facilities at Stampede were authorized by the Washoe Project Act of August 1, 1956 (70 Stat. 775). Lahonton Fish Hatchery and the Marble Bluff Fish Facility were designated as project use facilities by Reclamation, but Western has been unable to provide project use service because transmission service was not available. On April 1, 1994 Western executed Contract No. 94-SAO-00010 with Sierra which established the SEEA and provides Western the mechanism necessary to provide project use power to FWS. Western entered into an agreement with FWS for project use service on June 29, 1994. Subsequently, on December 19, 1994, Western and Reclamation entered into Letter of Agreement No. 94-SAO-00036 which provides the method to determine the percentage of the annual costs of Stampede operation. maintenance, interest expense and capital cost repayment associated with providing project use service to be nonreimbursable. Nonreimbursable costs are not recovered through power revenues. The nonreimbursable costs are based on the ratio of the annual cost of project use service to the total annual revenue recorded in the SEEA from Stampede nonfirm energy. This percentage has been applied to all current and future year costs in the Stampede PRS.

Power Repayment Studies

A PRS is prepared each year to determine if power revenues will be sufficient to pay, within the prescribed time periods, all reimbursable costs assigned to the power function. Repayment criteria are based on law, policies, and authorizing legislation. DOE Order RA 6120.2, section 12b, requires that:

In addition to the recovery of the above costs (operation and maintenance and interest expenses) on a year-by-year basis, the expected revenues are at least sufficient to recover (1) each dollar of power investment at Federal hydroelectric generating plants within 50 years after they become revenue producing, except as otherwise provided by law; (2) each annual increment of Federal transmission investment within the average service life of such transmission facilities or

within a maximum of 50 years, whichever is less; plus. (3) the cost of each replacement of a unit of property of a Federal power system within its expected service life up to a maximum of 50 years.

Existing and Provisional Rates

A comparison of the existing and provisional rates follows:

COMPARISON OF EXISTING AND PROVISIONAL RATES

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	1994	Provisional rate October 1, 1995	Percentage of change
Rate Schedule			Or origing c
Rate Schedule Floor (SEEA) Rate (mills/kWh)	SNF-3	SNF-4	
		19.26	00.44
3 (67.39	80 44 **	-30.44
*The average SEEA rate for FY 1995.		00.44	19.36

The average SEEA rate for FY 1995.

The formula for the SEEA rate is: The SEEA rate will be 85 percent of the then-effective non-timedifferentiated rate as provided in Sierra's California Quarterly Short-Term Purchase Price Schedule for As-Available Purchases from Qualifying Facilities with Capacities of 100 kW or less.

The formula for the cost recovery rate

The cost recovery rate is calculated by dividing the revenue requirement needed to repay all reimbursable power costs by the nonfirm energy remaining after meeting project use service.

Under the existing rate schedule, Stampede nonfirm energy is sold through an annual bidding process on a short-term nonfirm basis. A floor and ceiling rate for the bidding process is calculated each year. The floor rate is based on annual operation and maintenance expenses plus two mills per kilowatthour, and the ceiling rate is the rate required to repay annual expenses and investment within the required time frames.

Certification of Rate

Western's Administrator has certified that the Stampede nonfirm power rates placed into effect on an interim basis herein are the lowest possible rates consistent with sound business principles. The rates have been developed in accordance with administrative policies and applicable laws.

Discussion

Sierra has agreed to purchase all Stampede generation at the SEEA rate. The dollar value from these sales are debited to the SEEA. Bills for project use service at Lahonton Fish Hatchery

and Marble Bluff Fish Facility are then credited to the SEEA. During April of each year, any balance in the SEEA may be converted to an energy amount and offered to other entities, with priority given to preference customers.

The energy remaining after meeting project use service is calculated by dividing the dollar balance in the SEEA by 85 percent of the then-effective timedifferentiated rate as provided in Sierra's California Quarterly Short-Term Purchase Price Schedule for As-Available purchases from Qualifying Facilities with Capacities of 100 kW or less. Power remaining after meeting project use service will be offered to interested parties and preference customers through an annual bidding process. Bids will be accepted only if the bid rate is equal to or higher than the SEEA rate and less than the cost recovery rate. If no bid meets this criteria, the nonfirm energy will be deemed sold to Sierra at the SEEA rate. If the SEEA arrangements with Sierra are terminated, Western will offer all available nonfirm energy for sale at the cost recovery rate, or the highest rate bid that is below the cost recovery rate.

Western prepared a PRS which identified power related costs for the study period. A percentage equal to the ratio of the estimated cost for project use service to the estimated revenue from Stampede generation recorded in the SEEA was applied to the power costs to determine the amount of nonreimbursable cost. The remaining reimbursable cost and the estimated energy remaining after meeting project use service were used to determine the cost recovery rate necessary for repayment of Stampede. The cost recovery rate was designed to allow repayment of the reimbursable portion

of the plant investment, operation and maintenance expenses, capitalized deficits, interest expenses, and replacements based on the nonfirm energy available for sale after project use service has been met.

Statement of Revenue and Related Expenses

The following table provides a summary of revenue and expense data through the 5-year proposed rate approval period.

Stampede Division, Washoe Project, 5-Year Rate Period, Revenues and Expenses

	Rate case PRS reim- bursable rev- enue and ex- penses 1996–2000
Revenues Expenses:	\$1,357,713
O&M Interest Capitalized Expenses	\$324,749 900,120 132,844
Total	\$1,357,713

^{*}Data reflects costs remaining to be repaid through power revenues after applying nonreimbursable percentage.

Comments

During the 30-day comment period, Western did not receive any written comments either requesting information or commenting on the rate adjustment.

Environmental Evaluation

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.; Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR Parts 1500–1508); and DOE NEPA

The estimated cost recovery rate for FY 1996 through FY 2000.

Regulations (10 CFR Part 1021), Western has determined that this action is categorically excluded from the preparation of an environmental assessment or an environmental impact statement. A categorical exclusion was issued on May 1, 1995.

Executive Order 12866

DOE has determined that this rate action is not a significant regulatory action because it does not meet the criteria of Executive Order 12866, 58 CFR 51735. Western has an exemption from centralized regulatory review under Executive Order 12866; accordingly, no clearance of this notice by the Office of Management and Budget is required.

Availability of Information

Information regarding this rate adjustment, including PRSs, letters, memorandums, and other supporting material made or kept by Western for the purpose of developing the nonfirm energy rate, is available for public review in the Sacramento Area Office, Western Area Power Administration, Office of the Assistant Area Manager for Power Marketing, 114 Parkshore Drive. Folsom, California 95630; and Western Area Power Administration, Office of the Assistant Administrator for Washington Liaison, Room 8G-027 Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585.

Submission to Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

The rates herein confirmed, approved, and placed into effect on an interim basis, together with supporting documents, will be submitted to FERC for confirmation and approval on a final basis.

Order

In view of the foregoing and pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Secretary of Energy, I confirm and approve on an interim basis, effective October 1, 1995, Rate Schedule SNF—4 for the Stampede Division, Washoe Project. The rate schedule shall remain in effect on an interim basis, pending FERC confirmation and approval or a substitute rate on a final basis, through September 30, 2000.

Issued in Washington, DC. September 29, 1995.

Charles B. Curtis,

Deputy Secretary.

Rate Schedule SNF-4

(Supersedes Schedule SNF-3)

United States Department of Energy, Western Area Power Administration, Stampede Division, Washoe Project

Schedule of Rate for Nonfirm Energy

Effective: October 1, 1995, through September 30, 2000.

Available: Within the marketing area served by the Sacramento Area Office.

Applicable: This rate is applicable to sales of nonfirm energy in excess of project use service. Sales shall be subject to terms and conditions among the respective entities specified at the time of sale.

Rate: The rate for nonfirm energy sales from Stampede will be equal to or greater than the Stampede Energy Exchange Account (SEEA) rate and less than the cost recovery rate. The SEEA rate is 85 percent of the then-effective non-time-differentiated rate as provided in the Sierra Pacific Power Company's California Quarterly Short-Term Purchase Price Schedule for As-Available Purchases from Qualifying Facilities with Capacities of 100 kilowatts or less.

The cost recovery rate is calculated by dividing the revenue requirement needed to repay all annual reimbursable power costs by the nonfirm energy remaining after providing project use service.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5315-9]

Notice of Open Meeting of the Federal Facilities Environmental Restoration Dialogue Committee

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: FACA Committee Meeting—Federal Facilities, Environmental Restoration Dialogue Committee.

SUMMARY: As required by Section 9(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92–463), we are giving notice of the next meeting of the Federal Facilities Environmental Restoration Dialogue Committee. Earlier notification was not possible due to Federal budget uncertainties which delayed final approval of the meeting date and

location. The meeting is open to the public without advance registration.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss improving Federal facilities environmental cleanup.

DATES: The meeting will be held on October 25–26, 1995, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on each day.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Ramada Hotel Old Town, located at 901 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, VA, 22314 (phone: 703–683–6000, fax: 703–683–7957).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Persons needing further information on the meeting or on the Federal Facilities Environmental Restoration Dialogue Committee should contact Sven-Erik Kaiser, Federal Facilities Restoration and Reuse Office (5101), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., S.W., Washington, D.C. 20460, (202) 260–5138.

Dated: October 11, 1995.

Sven-Erik Kaiser.

Designated Federal Official. [FR Doc. 95–25741 Filed 10–16–95; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6560–50–P

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 95F-0332]

GE Silicones; Filing of Food Additive Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that GE Silicones has filed a petition proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of

polymethylsilsesquioxane as a surface lubricant or anti-blocking agent in polyolefin films for use in contact with food.

DATES: Written comments on the petitioner's environmental assessment by November 16, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments to the Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 12420 Parklawn Dr., rm. 1-23, Rockville, MD 20857.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Vir D. Anand, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-216), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202-418-3081.